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- (a) It is the intent of the General Assembly to:
- (1) recognize the economic, environmental, fuel diversity, and security benefits of renewable energy resources;
- (2) establish a market for electricity from these resources in Maryland; and
- (3) lower the cost to consumers of electricity produced from these resources.
 - (b) The General Assembly finds that:
- (1) the benefits of electricity from renewable energy resources, including long-term decreased emissions, a healthier environment, increased energy security, and decreased reliance on and vulnerability from imported energy sources, accrue to the public at large; and
- (2) electricity suppliers and consumers share an obligation to develop a minimum level of these resources in the electricity supply portfolio of the State.

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